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In re the Application of: KURODA, Daisuke, et al.

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MEDICAL DEVICE FOR LIVING SOFT TISSUE AND METHOD OF For. PRODUCTION OF SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: January 13, 2009

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2008, for one month, from December 15, 2008, to January 15, 2009.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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